I do not support the rationale for automatically upgrading a licensee just because he/she held a license for a 20 year period. Holding a license in no way demonstrates any particular level of knowledge or skill. An active license holder should have no difficulty passing the exam for the license class that they are seeking. We have already simplified the process in many ways. Let's not start handing out "free lunches" as well. If a person wants a license upgrade then just follow the rules and pass the exam.